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The Masquers bring Shakespearean comedy 'Twelfth Night' to Armstrong Campus

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One of William Shakespeare's most enduring comedies will be on display on Georgia Southern University's Armstrong Campus in Savannah when The Masquers perform "Twelfth Night" at the Jenkins Hall Mainstage Theatre.

"Twelfth Night," directed by professor Peter Mellen, Ph.D., tells the story of twins Sebastian and Viola, as well as nobleman Orsino and Lady Olivia. Viola thinks Sebastian has drowned when the two are separated after being shipwrecked.

In order to find work with Orsino, Viola disguises herself as a man, Cesario, which creates a love triangle when Viola (disguised as Cesario) falls in love with Orsino, Orsino falls in love with Olivia and Olivia falls in love with Cesario (Viola).

Paloma Whatley, who plays Viola, said a lot of hard work has gone into the production.

"Working on a Shakespearean play has been pretty challenging to say the least," she said. "From memorizing lines that feel like a tongue twister every time you speak to understanding the material and trying to interpret it to the best of my ability, it definitely takes time to get it down and practice. Once you understand what you're saying and can comfortably react it gets more fun each time we do it."

Mellen said he is treating the show as if Mel Brooks was directing it.

"My favorite part of directing a Shakespearean comedy is the moment when the cast realizes this really is funny, and then they start running with it," Mellen said.

The show runs from Nov. 8 through Nov. 11. For more information and to purchase tickets, visit the [Armstrong Campus Box Office](#).

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Georgia Southern University celebrates International Education Week

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Georgia Southern University's Office of International Programs and Services will celebrate the cultures of other nations during International Education Week (IEW) from Nov. 12 through 16.

IEW, a joint initiative of the U.S. Department of State and the U.S. Department of Education, is a chance to celebrate the advantages of international education and exchange worldwide.

Events for the week will include speakers, a food festival and a fashion show, among others, and they will take place on the Statesboro and Armstrong campuses. All events are open to the public.

"International Education Week is a time to recognize and celebrate nationwide the importance of world languages, of study abroad and of appreciating and learning about other countries and cultures," Dorothee Mertz-Weigel, Ph.D., Director of International Programs and Services, said.

Highlighted events for International Week include:

Monday, Nov. 12, 6 p.m.

Film: "A Thousand & One Journeys: The American Arabs"

Statesboro Campus: Russell Union, Room 2048

The Arabic Club presents the groundbreaking documentary, "A Thousand & One Journeys: The American Arabs," which shares the untold story of almost 200 years of contributions those who immigrated to the United States from the Middle East, North Africa and the Gulf have made to the American fabric. This film challenges the myths and stereotypes that surround the Arab-American community.

Tuesday, Nov. 13, Noon (Armstrong Campus), 6 p.m. (Statesboro Campus)

Keynote Speakers: Audrey Scott and Dan Noll

Statesboro Campus: Nessmith-Lane Auditorium 1915

Armstrong Campus: Ogeechee Theater

Dubbed as BBC's favorite "travel ninjas," husband-and-wife storytelling and photography team Audrey Scott and Dan Noll will talk about their experiences with global travel in "Around the World in 10 Years: A Real Life Amazing Race." Scott and Noll have been to more than 90 countries, and they will discuss the importance of immersing oneself in local cultures.

Wednesday, Nov. 14, 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Festival: Taste of the World

Armstrong Campus: Student Union Residential Plaza

Taste of the World is a celebration of cultures from various parts of the globe. Activities include a fashion show, traditional food, Henna artists, Asian calligraphy lessons, study abroad info and more. All activities are free to the campus communities.

Wednesday, Nov. 14, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Taste Your Way Around the World

Statesboro Campus: Dining Commons

Dining Commons will offer traditional dishes from Japan, Italy, Australia, Brazil, Russia and Morocco.

Thursday, Nov. 15, 7 p.m.

International Fashion Show and Bazaar

Statesboro Campus: Williams Center Multipurpose Room

Models from Georgia Southern will showcase outfits from all continents at the International Fashion Show and Bazaar. There will also be free food, live performances and door prizes.

Thursday, Nov. 15, 6 to 8 p.m.

Film: "Living on One Dollar"

Armstrong Campus: Ogeechee Theatre

International Student Organization presents "Living on One Dollar," a film set in rural Guatemala, where four friends battle illness, parasites and hunger as they experiment with living on just \$1 a day for eight weeks. The award-winning film has been called "a must watch" by Nobel Laureate Muhammad Yunus and "The Hunger Games" director Gary Ross.

Friday, Nov. 16, 1 to 2 p.m.

International Awards Reception

Armstrong Campus: Ogeechee Theatre

The International Awards Reception, hosted by International Programs and Services, celebrates the achievements of international students and their advocates on campus.

For more information and the complete list of events, visit the [Office of International Programs](#) and Services.

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Georgia Southern makes personal finance curriculum available to Georgia students

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Georgia Southern University is sponsoring Ramsey Solutions' Foundations in Personal Finance curriculum in five high schools in Georgia. Foundations in Personal Finance is the premier curriculum for teaching financial literacy to students.

"We are excited to partner with a company like Ramsey Solutions, who has a mission to support young adults in their personal growth and leadership," said Amy Smith, associate vice president in the Division of Enrollment Management at Georgia Southern. "By working with them, we can assist the youth of our local community in their financial planning and overall development. We hope that it will also help our area students make responsible decisions in funding their education after high school graduation."

The University is donating this curriculum to South Effingham High School, Savannah Arts Academy, Islands High School, Hershel V. Jenkins High School and Benedictine Military School.

Personal finance expert Dave Ramsey created Foundations in Personal Finance, an easy to use, turn-key school curriculum that teaches students the value of saving, spending and giving to guide them down the path of financial literacy.

More than four million students have taken Foundations in Personal Finance in middle schools, high schools and universities nationwide. Foundations in Personal Finance can be used as a primary or supplemental resource to fulfill requirements in mathematics, economics, family consumer science, business mathematics and personal finance.

For more information on the curriculum, go to <https://www.ramseyeducation.com/>.

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